

The City of San Luis invites all students from Gadsden Elementary School District #32, San Luis High School, and Arizona Western College who currently live in San Luis, Arizona to participate in the Cesar Chavez Art and Poetry Contest.

Cesar Chavez is known as one of America's greatest Mexican American civil rights leaders. The contest theme "Harvesting Hope" is based on the book highlighting the life of the legendary Cesar E. Chavez and his struggles as a boy bullied at school and as the son of migrant farm workers — working long hours for barely enough money to survive - to his journey as a leader igniting a cause to improve the lives and working conditions of thousands of migrant farmworkers.

The contest theme "Harvesting Hope" is similar to the City of San Luis' efforts of planting the seeds of civic service and education in our community.

The City of San Luis believes that the "seed of education" will harvest success, prosperity and lead to improving the quality of life in our community.

The City of San Luis is committed to developing partnerships with our schools, families and the community to complement and reinforce our values, culture, and the type of learning environment that can prepare our youth for a more promising future.

All participants must follow the following guidelines for either the art or the poetry contest; there may not be double entries for one person.

Art Contest Guidelines

- The artwork submitted must depict the theme "Harvesting Hope" and be related to César Chávez
- All work submitted must be the artist's original work. No computer graphics, please.
- Your artwork must have a title and be signed by the artist.
- No inappropriate language, negative connotations, guns/weapons, etc.
- All art Must be a minimum size of 8 ½ x 11".

Poetry Contest Guidelines

- All work must be original.
- Poem may be written in either Spanish or English.
- Poem must be related to César E. Chávez
- Poem must be typed and converted to PDF
- Your poem must have a title and be signed by the writer
- No inappropriate language, negative connotations, guns/weapons, etc.
- Poem must be at least 100 words.

Possible topics:

- What does the life of César Chávez mean to my community and me?
- How can Latino youth carry on the work of César Chávez? How do we keep his spirit alive?
- What qualities of César Chávez do you most admire?
- How can we improve the quality of life for Latinos or seasonal farm workers?
- How can we live/lead by the example of César Chávez?

Deadline for Entries

- All entries must be entered no later than 12:00 PM on Friday, March 15, 2019.
- All pieces must be dropped off at the Cesar Chavez Cultural Center no later than March 19, 2019, by 5:00 PM

Judging and Winners

- A panel of judges will review entries and choose 3 finalist per grade levels K-6, 7-12, and College
- All finalists' artwork will be published in the Bajo El Sol Newspaper and will be featured on the City of San Luis website and Social Media accounts.
- All Participants will receive a certificate of participation and will have their artwork featured at the Arte el la Calle event.
- Winners will be announced at the Arte el la Calle event, Happening March 23, 2019, at the Cesar Chavez Cultural Center
- All entries will be shown on our social media accounts on March 31, 2019.

Scholarship Awards

First Place: \$200 Second Place: \$150 Third Place: \$100